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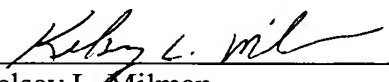
Claims 1-26 are pending in the present application and have been rejected by the Examiner. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of claims 1-26, as amended.

Tanabe and Suzuki disclose a temperature correction circuit in which a voltage is applied to vibrate a piezoelectric device for a prescribed time based on the ambient temperature. Takahashi discloses driving mechanical vibrations in piezoelectric elements based on variations in ambient temperature. Kataoka also discloses driving mechanical vibrations in piezoelectric elements.

Applicant has amended the independent claims to more fully describe embodiments of his invention, namely including the limitation that mechanical movement of the piezoelectric device is minimal during the excitation of the device. Thus, Applicant submits that the invention as claimed is not anticipated by any of the four cited references nor is it obvious in light of these references.

It is respectfully urged that the subject application is in condition for allowance and allowance of the application at issue is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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